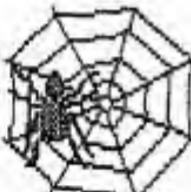


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A Journal of Duplicious Boings,
Raw Power, and Naked Greed
*"Ch... what a tangled web we weave.
When first we practice to deceive!"*
-Sir Walter Scott--



12 Jun 03

(#214)

DUNE Starts!

Our 5th game of DUNE starts this time with seven players and with first-time appearances in these pages by the Bene Tielaxu and Landraad. Former winners Ron Fisher and Dave Anderson return to Arrakis, so this game ought to be a dilly.

NOTE: Next deadline is a Thursday night so I can squander my holiday on the next issue.

GAME OPENINGS: If interested, send stand-by orders!

BORIS XVI: England

CIRCUS MAXIMUS: Leadfoot Laertes is available (but is doomed).

We also have a request for a gumbob game of MACH. Have two signed up.

BORIS'S BULLETIN BOARD

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: If you have made mistakes, even serious ones, there is always another chance for you. ---Mary Pickford

From Saudi Arabia: Hello everyone. This is an update on our security in the Kingdom.

100+ RSAF and anti terrorist police are patrolling around our compound alone. This is just in our part of the country. New construction of a guard tower at our main gate with the addition of machine guns on some trucks and the guard points.

Compare this to 20 guards and one machine gun and this is an improvement. Extra check points, car, bus, and truck inspections have been added. We are treated well and have had no problems down town. Things are tense but that is to be expected. We are not planning on leaving but if I had a good job offer in the States I would be out of here in 90 days or less if given the opportunity.

We are fine so far but no area is 100% safe anymore so we hope that you all stay safe too.

Wayne and Thye Morrison

Congratulations to Forest Cole upon the birth of a daughter.

BOOS & KUDOS

This month's Madame Bohic Press Excellence Award (and free issue) goes to Wayne Morrison for his Saudi report (above).

This month's Ms Nat Super-Suday Bomb is lobbed at John Hogan for flipping Leadfoot.

Check out the BORIS website at:

<http://hometown.aol.com/prbolduc/boris/borishome.htm>

PERSONAL COMMUNICATION HERE (maybe):

Deadline for most games is 1800 CDT 3 JUL 03



West Shattered!
Turkey Invaded!
Spring 1905

XVI
2002C

MIRKWOOD: Even while France and England weep on their last gasp it appears, Turkey is being prepared for carving. Italy and Russia, meanwhile are quietly positioning units in dispute. Germany's hegemony in the West. Austria remains very much in *medio res*.

TROOP MOVEMENTS:

French A PAR retreats to BRE. Russian A RUM retreats to GAL. Turkish F GRE retreats to B. Austria builds A BUD. England NMR. GM disbards F SKA under Rule XIV.4. France disbards F TUS and F WAL. Germany builds A BER. Italy builds F NAP. Russia builds F STPnco.

AUSTRIA (R Fisher): A Ser S RUS A Gal-Rum; [A Gru-Bul], F Bulsel-Aeg, [A Alb-Gre], F Aug-Eas, A Bud S RUS A Gal-Rum;

ENGLAND (Morgan): NMRI; F Nvy Hlu;

FRANCE (Beynum): [A Gas-Par], [A Bre S A Gas-Par], F Wal, F Tus;

GERMANY (Anderson): A Den H, [A Par S A Pie-Brel] F Lou S F Nth, A Bel-Yor, [A Pie-Brel, P Nth C, A Bel-Yor, A Mun-Bar, A Ber-Mun,

ITALY (K Wilson): A Por-Spa, A Mar S A Por-Spa, F Lyp-Wes, F Spe(sch)-Mid, A Pie-Ven, F Tyn-Ion, F Nap & F Tyn-Ion;

RUSSIA (Fowble): A Gal-Rum, A Fin-Swe, F Nvy S A Fin-Swe, A Ukr-Ser, A Ser-Ant, F StPnco-Bar;

TURKEY (Nichols): F Bla S A Rum-Bul, A Smy S A Con, A Russ-Bul, A Con S A Russ-Bul.

Orders in brackets fail; d = discarded, obh = off the board, cbn = or, the move; r-??? = must retreat somewhere, u = unordered. See map and full transcript of game on the Website.

Due next time: Your orders for Fall 1905 and Press.

EMBASSY BEAT

France-Germany: *Bite me!*



*"Before we bring more brandy and cigars, sir,
could the manager have a tiny peek at your winning lottery ticket?"*

Mac/Daily Mail/London



MACHIAVELLI

WE DON'T BEGIN!

WINTER 1512/13

2003 D

play10

Ragnozetti: Tension simmers as bocce ball fever still grips Italy.

TROOP PLACEMENTS:

AUSTRIA (Wilson, 2d): A Aus, A Bur, A Mos, A Mil, A Tyr, F Nap, F Sar;

FRANCE (Scott, 2d): A Avl, A Salz, F Mar, G Mil;

MILAN (Cole, 2d): A Cre, A Per, A Mod, A Pav;

PAPACY (Anderson, 4d): A Bol, A Per, A Rome, P Anc;

TURKEY (McConnell, 3d): A Alb, A Hun, F Dur, F Tun;

VENICE (Nichols, 9d): A Pad, A Tre, F Dal, G Ven;

Autonomous: Are, Flo, Gen, Luc, Man, Mon, Pio, Pisa, Rag, Sav, Sis, Trent, Tur.

Advanced Rules are in Play (i.e., Sections 1-11) as is Optional Rule 17, Conquering

Supply Chart:

AUSTRIA (2d): aqu, AUS, BARI, esp, car, MES, NAP, otr, pal, sal, SAR, TYR (6);

FRANCE (2d): AVI, MAR, pro, SALZ (3);

MILAN (2d): CRE, PER, MOD, PAV, SWI (4);

PAPACY (4d): ANC, BOL, pal, PER, ROME, spo, urb (4);

TURKEY (3d): ALB, bos, DUR, her, HUN, TUN (4);

VENICE (9d): ber, DAL, fri, int, PAD, TRE, VEN, ver (4);

Autonomous: Are, Flo, Gen, Luc, Man, Mon, Pio, Pisa, Rag, Sav, Sis, Trent, Tur.

All caps = Home cities, Capitalized = captured cities, all lower case = provinces.

Orders for Spring 1513 are due next time.



--CIRCUS MAXIMUS (continued from p 4)

one the wiser. Still, it would be good for Rufus' wounded pride to take out at least ONE enemy chariot, a prospect that was rapidly diminishing in the dust. Unless, unless... perhaps an opportunity presents itself...



1st Egg & 1st F/f!

TMAN VI (Leadfoot's DRM increases to +1). We have a new Whiplash Willie.

Odds	COLOR	DRIVER (CDM/DM)	CART	Whip	Wheels	TEAM	END	Speed	D/E
4-1	Purple	Leadfoot Laertes (+1/7)	M	Y	0/4	6335	39	18	2/3
4-1	Red	Rufus Magnus (+2/7)	H	Y	0/0	5324	27	18	2/3
5-1	Green	Josephus (+2/9)	L	Y	0/0	7447	28	24	2/3
6-1	Blue	Spruticus Rex (+2/8)	L	Y	0/0	7545	15	23	2/3
8-1	Orange	Maximus Gladiators (+0/7)	M	Y	0/0	7436	40	20	2/3
21-1	Yellow	Davikus Detroit (+1/2/6)	L	Y	2/0	4444	46	18	2/3
32-1	White	Minnesota (+1/7)	M	Y	0/0	4536	25	18	2/3
120-1	Aqua	Whiplash Willie (+1/6)	M	Y	0/0	4435	15	37	2/3

Rufus (O'Hara): 16, whip (4, -4 END); Ahead 15, driver lash Leadfoot. Leadfoot is NMR so accepts the attack (lash column 8-2/6+4 = +8; 8 - W, -1 DM, M=1, Crit hit: Y = +1 DM); Ahead 2 in 1.

Spruticus (Copeland): 10, no whip. Ahead 1, corner strain at 2 over (+3-2 = n/c, -2 END); Ahead 8, out two. No attacks. Score 1st egg.

Minnesota (Kinnick): 15, no whip. Ahead 6, corner strain at 3 over (+0-1 = n/c, -3 END); ahead 10.

Davikus (Dave Al): 17, no whip. Wheel check (10 ok). Ahead 17.

Leadfoot (Hogank): NMR! 18-1, no whip. Wheel check (8 ok). Out 1, ahead 10, in 1, ahead 3. corner strain at 10 over (+4-1 = FLIP) ahead 1. Cut free (6-1 = no), injury 15/2 = -3 DM pts! Li permanently loses 1 DM. Chariot lands (5 = same lane, 2 forward) on team, team doesn't evade (8 vs 6) so takes (6) 1 injury pt to #3 horse. Li permanently loses 2 DM to -1.

Whiplash (Zeske): 13, no whip. Ahead 1, corner strain at 4 over (+2-1 = SS, -4 END); ahead 12.

Maximus (Vorki): 17, no whip. Ahead 17.

Josephus (R Fisher): 24, no whip. Ahead 8, in 1, ahead 16.

Odds	COLOR	DRIVER (CDM/DM)	CART	Whip	Wheels	TEAM	END	Speed	D/E
4-1	Red	Rufus Magnus (+2/7)	H	Y	0/0	5324	27	18	2/3
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6-1	Blue	Spruticus Rex (+2/8)	L	Y	0/0	7545	15	23	2/2
8-1	Orange	Maximus Gladiators (+0/7)	M	Y	0/0	7436	40	20	2/2
21-1	Yellow	Davikus Detroit (+2/6)	L	Y	2/0	4444	46	18	2/2
32-1	White	Minnesota (+1/7)	M	Y	0/0	4536	22	18	2/2
120-1	Aqua	Whiplash Willie (+1/6)	M	Y	0/0	4435	11	17	2/2
	Purple	Leadfoot Laertes (+1/2)	W	-	-/-	6335	39	17	2/2

The Betting booths are temporarily open. You have _____. * Bets will not change the posted odds. See Website for map and transcript.

Press:

"Glaadiator in arena constitutum caput" thought Rufus to himself. "The Gladiator who makes plans in the arena is not acting to his own advantage", as he uncoiled his whip. He felt pity for the gang of swaybacks in harness ahead, but if he had to pound them into glove to get the job done, then so be it. The meat pie vendors would pay a small fortune for the horse flesh and ask no questions, and no

--Continued on p 3



The Cast:

ATREIDES: Cary Nichols
BENE GESERIT: Walt O'Hara
FREEMEN: Paul Barrett
HARKONNEN: Kevin Wilson

We are playing with the Advanced Rules and all Optionals except Rule XVIII. House Rules and rules for the BT and Lansraad are on the Website. Descriptions of the new cards are below and soon on the Website.

Due next time are your traitor pick, any BT initial trap, Fremen troop placement, BG prediction, troop placement, and Press. No Nar craves Press.

Your traitor choices are:

Your initial card(s) is/are:

1. Hunter Seeker—used as a projectile weapon.
2. Shield—used as a shield.
3. Harvester—doubles the spice blow. Play just after a spice blow comes up. Place double the amount of spice in the territory.
4. Thumper—play instead of turning up the next spice card. Acts as if a worm is revealed.
5. Yat! Yat! Yawn!—worthless.



DUNE

Set-Up





BRITANNIA

"Egbert"

Turns XV & XVI



The Cast:

Blue: Kevin Wilson Green: Dave Anderson Purple: Chuck Hantis Red: Peter Boyum

ARMED

Welsh (2.5): 4A @ March; 2A @ Powys; 1A @ Cornwall, Chwyd, Devon, Dyfed, Gwent, Gwynedd.

Picts (2.5): 2A @ Alban; 1A @ Mar.

Caledonians (0): 2A @ Hebrides.

Scots (2): 2A @ Strathclyde; 1A @ Dunedin.

Norsemen (0): 2A @ Moray, Skye; 1A @ Caithness, Orkneys.

Dubliners (0): 3A @ Galloway; 1A @ Cheshire, Pennines.

Danes (1): 2A @ Downlands.

Norwegians: Thread & 10A @ North.

Saxons (1): 3A @ Essex, N Mercia, York; 2A @ Lindsey, Lothian; 1A @ Avalon, Berwick, Kent, Norfolk, S Mercia, Suffolk, Sussex, Wessex. Harold @ ?.

Normans: Willy, 6A, 4C @ Cheviot!

SCOTT: Red 93.5, Purple 59.5, Green 60.5, Blue 33

TURN XV (continued)

Scots (2): Grow 1 pp. Add 1A @ Dunedin. 2A Strathclyde-Dalrada.

Norsemen (0): Grow 2 pp. Hold.

Dubliners (0): Grow 2 pp. 1A Pennines-Cheshire, 1A Galloway-Southclyde, 1A Galloway-Cumbria-Cheshire

Danes (1): Grow 0.5 pp. Hold.

Norwegians: 1st Wave: 8A Harold: North-York (6+1,2+1,2+1:4,3,1+1 Saxon, 1 Saxon @ N Mercia), 2A North-Berwick (6,5+1-1 Saxon), 2A North-Bernicia-Pennines, 3A North-Lothian (4,3,1+5,1,5+1,6,1+6-3 Norwegians, -2 Saxons). 2nd Wave: 1A Pennines-Cumbria-Pennines, 1A Pennines-Lothian, 1A Bernicia-York-Lindsey, 3A Harold York-Lindsey (4+1,3+1,2,5,1, 6+1,2+1,1,5+1,2,5-3 Norwegians, -2 Saxons) +9 tourist Purple VP.

Saxons: Who's afraid of the Norwegians? They're a bunch of Flauards!

Saxons (1): Grow 9 pp. Add 1A @ N Mercia, S Mercia, Norfolk. Place Harold @ N Mercia. 1A N Mercia-York, Harold & 4A @ N Mercia-Lindsey (6+1,3,2,1,5+1-1 Saxon, -1 Norwegian & Harold). 1A @ S Mercia-Harco. Score 3 VP for killing Harold.

SCOTT: Red 96.5, Purple 78.5, Green 60.5, Blue 33

ARMED

Welsh (2.6): 4A @ March; 2A @ Powys; 1A @ Cornwall, Chwyd, Devon, Dyfed, Gwent, Gwynedd.

Picts (2.6): 2A @ Alban; 1A @ Mar.

Caledonians (0): 2A @ Hebrides.

Scots (2): 2A @ Dalrada, Dunedin

Norsemen (2): 2A @ Moray, Skye; 1A @ Caithness, Orkneys.

Dubliners (2): 3A @ Cheshire; 1A @ Galloway, Strathclyde.

Danes (1.5): 2A @ Downlands.

Norwegians: 1A Bernicia, Lothian, Pennines.

Saxons (1): Harold 3A @ Lindsey, 3A @ Essex; 2A @ Norfolk; 1A @ Avalon, Harco, Kent, S Mercia, Suffolk, Sussex, Wessex, York.

Normans: Willy, 6A, 4C @ Cheviot



TITAN

Another Warlock Recruited!
Turn 2



The Cast:

Gold: Alast Bargender
Black: Laird Khanor

Red: Walt O'Hara
Brown: Mark Frueh

Green: Tony Rezzarday
Blue: Andy York

MOVEMENT:

Brown (Frueh): dr: 1; Spider 100-44; Antlers 3-100.
Blue (York): dr: 6; Batman 122 holds; Anchor 24-24.
Gold (Bargender): dr: 4; Crown 300-133; Horn 38-184.
Red (O'Hara): dr: 3; Bleeding Heart 31-34; Maltese Cross 27-30.
Green (Rezzarday): dr: 4; Dugger 5-10; Fleur-de-Lis 10-100.
Black (Khanor): dr: 4; Eye of Sauron 500 holds; Poison Pen 22-1000.

MUSTERING: 2 centaurs, 3 cyclops, 1 lion, 1 troll, 1 warlock.

POOL: Archangels (6), Angels (12), Behemoths (18), Centaurs (11), Colossi (10), Cyclopes (21), Dragons (18), Gargoyles (8), Giants (18), Gorgons (25), Griffins (18), Guardians (6), Hydra (10), Lions (26), Minotaurs (21), Ogres (13), Rangers (28), Serpents (10), Trolls (24), Unicorns (12), Warbears (21), Warlocks (4), Wyverns (18).

Your Legions are:

Your Turn 3 die roll is: _____

Game map is at: <http://hometown.aol.com/prbolduc/coris/mindex.html>



Legend: A = infantry army, C = cavalry army, F = fort, L = leader, pp = population point, R = raider, r-??? = retreats to ???, w-??? = withdraws to ???, * = in melee, # = attack by/against cavalry

See map at: <http://hometown.aol.com/McNair/maps/Egbert.gif>

1856**LORD STANLEY**

Another Diesel



ERRATA: CGR certs count as 0.5. There were invisible BBG tokens in F15 and L13, resulting in many changes, earnings, etc. See Transcript on Website.

PLAYER STATUS: (*) = Prez cert limit = 10

Fruh: \$482, 6 CA*, 1 LPS, 2 CGR, 1 BBG (8 certs)

Butcher: \$119, 6 CGR*, 1 LPS, 1 CA (5 certs)

Buffta: \$134, 2 CGR, 5 CPR* (5 certs)

Zieske: \$392, 5 LPS*, 1 CA, 1 BBG, 3 CGR, (7.5 certs)

Hanna: \$373, 3 CGR, 6 BBG*, 1 LPS (7.5 certs) (Priority)

CORPORATION STATUS:

Corp	Prez	Price	Par	IO Pool	Cash	Trains	Tokens
LPS	PZ	C225	90	0	2	281	5
CA	MF	D150	80	0	2	068	56
CGR	TB	A100	100	0	4	375	D
BBG	CH	D90	100	1	1	714	5
CPR	JB	B90	100	1	1	026	6

OR 7.3

Corp	Title	Loc	Token	Earn	Div	Trains	Price	Notes
LPS	#5/D19(ne)	--		\$200		820	5	C250
CA	#15/E18(w)	--		\$450		845	56	D175
CGR	#123/L15(sc)	J15		\$560		856	D	A110
BBG	#15/D19(ne)	no		\$270		851+D	D80	Trade 5 for diesel (-\$750)
CPR	#9/M6(b)	--		\$280		828	6	B100

SR 5

Hanna buys 1 CA (-\$175).

Fruh buys 1 LPS (-\$250).

Butcher buys BBG from pool (-\$80).

Buffta buys 1 CGR (-\$110).

Zieske buys 1 LPS (-\$280). LPS sold out!

Hanna buys 1 CGR (-\$110).

Fruh buys 1 CPR from Pool (-\$100).

Butcher buys BBG from IO (\$100 to BBG). BBG sold out!

Buffta buys 1 CGR (-\$110).

Zieske buys 1 CGR (-\$110). CGR sold out!

Hanna buys 1 CA (-\$175). CA sold out!

Fruh passes. Butcher buys 1 CPR (\$100 to CPR).

Buffta buys 1 CPR (\$100 to CPR).

Zieske buys 1 CPR (\$100 to CPR).

Hanna & Fruh pass. Butcher buys 1 CPR (\$100 to CPR). CPR sold out!

All pass. LPS, CA, CGR, CPR and BBG sold out so move to B275, C200, B110, A110, and C90 respectively. Buffta has the Priority.

PLAYER STATUS: (*) = Prez cert limit = 10

Fruh: \$508, 6 CA*, 2 LPS, 2 CGR, 1 BBG, 1 CPR (10 certs)

Butcher: \$11, 6 CGR*, 1 LPS, 2 BBG, 1 CA, 2 CPR (9 certs)

Buffta: \$76, 4 CGR, 6 CPR* (7 certs) (Priority)

Zieske: \$106, 6 LPS*, 1 CA, 1 BBG, 4 CGR, 1 CPR (10 certs)

Hanna: \$17, 4 CGR, 6 BBG*, 1 LPS, 2 CA (10 certs)

CORPORATION STATUS:

Corp	Prez	Price	Per	IO Pool	Cash	Trains	Tokens
LPS	PZ	B275	90	0	0	321	5
CA	MF	C200	80	0	0	088	35
CGR	TB	B110	100	0	0	375	D
CPR	JB	A110	100	0	0	454	4
BBC	CH	C80	100	0	0	334	D

The Bank has \$10,053.

AVAILABLE TRAINS: 5DDDD...

PRESS:

Butcher: Screwiest looking board I've ever seen with diesels running - also hopeless for the CGR.

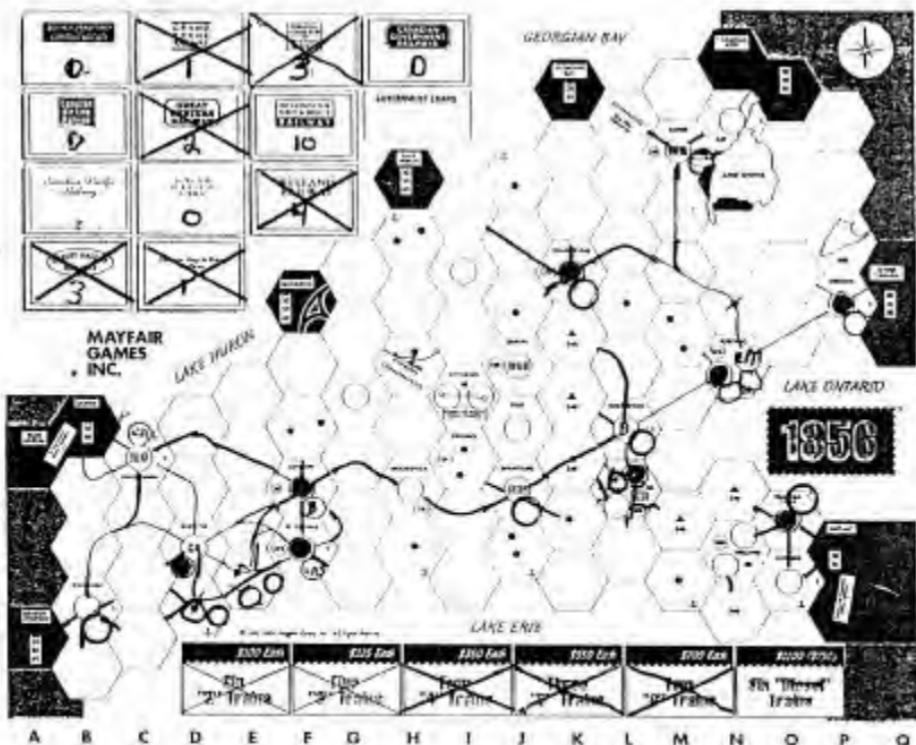
AVAILABLE TILES:

Yellow: #1(1), #2(1), #3(3), #4(3), #5(1), #6(2), #7(5), #8(6), #9(8), #55(1), #56(1), #57(3), #58(1), #69(1)

Green: #14(2), #15(0), #16(1), #17(1), #18(1), #19(1), #20(1), #23(2), #24(3), #25(0), #26(1), #27(1), #28(1), #29(1), #59(1)

Brown: #39(1), #40(1), #41(3), #42(3), #43(1), #44(1), #45(2), #46(2), #47(2), #63(3), #64(1), #65(1), #66(1), #67(1), #70(1), #125(0), #127(1)

Due next time: Orders for OR 8,1-3. We ought to make it to SR 9. But it's has the Priority. WGR is available.





1835



OB 7.2 & SR 8

ERRATA: #1 has 65 M. Buttila has 3 PR, but no #2. Mag omitted #5 in M9 (now). SX rare for 8290 last time.

Player Status: #1 = Direktor

Fisher: 344 M, #1, #3, #6, 1 BY, 1 SX, 5 BA*, 1 PR, 1 WT <Zug>

Hanna: 228 M, 5 SK*, Braun, 6 WT

Buttila: 219 M, PB, 3 SX, 1 BA, 3 PR*, 1 WT, 2 HE*

Butcher: 157 M, 5 BY, Hanna, OB, 1 PR, 1 BA, 1 WT, 1 HE

Zieske: 301 M, #4, #5, 4 BY, 1 SX, 3 BA, 1 WT, 2 HE

CORPORATION STATUS:

Corp	Dir	Price	IO	Pool	Cash	Trains	Tokens
#1	RF	--	--	65	3+		H2
#3	RF	--	--	245	*		F14
#4	PZ	--	--	100	*		G5
#5	PZ	--	--	330	3		E19
#6	RF	--	--	95	3+		C11
PR		D154	0	0	110	6 3	E19
SX	CH	B120	0	0	361	2+3+	H16, E19, H20
BY	TB	C100	0	0	599	2+2+	O15, L14N, H20
BA	RF	E86	0	0	180	3	L6SE, F14
WT	CH	C82	0	0	119	2+44	M9
HE	JB	D78	5	0	60	4	J8

OB 7.2

Privates pay Buttila 15 M, Hanna 25 M, and Butcher 40 M. #3 converts to PR.

Corp	Title	Lay	Token	Earn	Dv	Trains	Price	Notes
#1	---	---	--	180	65	3+	--	
#4	---	---	--	--	--	--	--	
#5	---	---	--	35	35	3	--	
#6	---	---	--	110	55	3+	--	
PR	#25/E17(e)7	--	--	110	11	3+44+5	D173	a
SX	#24/F18(ne)	--	--	250	25	2+3,3+3+	B134	
BY	#218/L14(isel)	--	--	--	--	2+2,2+45	C92	-500 M
BA	---	---	--	110	11	3	E90	
WT	#39/M7(ne)	--	--	60	6	2+44	C86	
HE	#213/J6(e)	--	--	200	10	4	D84	-50 M

a. Buys 4+ and 5 train 1-940 MI. 2+2-trains scrapped. Phase change. Privates close. Minors convert. Brown tiles available. Three ORs after next SR. PR discards 3-train and two 3+3-trains.

SR 8:

Fisher buys 1 HE (84 M to HE). At Cert limit.

Hanna nationalizes 1 WT from Zieske (129 M to PZ).

Buttila buys 1 HE (84 M to HE).

Butcher buys 1 HE (84 M to HE).

Zieske buys "Letzte" HE (169 M to HE). At Cert limit. Becomes HE Direktor. Exchanges two 10% shares for the Direktor's share.

Fisher at Cert limit, passes. Hanna nationalizes 1 WT from Butcher (129 M to TB).

Buttila & Butcher pass.

Zieske buys MS Direktor share (1-160 M).

All pass. Fisher has der Zug.

Player Statistics: * = Director Certificate limit = [12], † = double non-Director share
 Fisher: 483 M, 1 BY, 1 SX, 5 BA*, 2.5 PR, 1 WT, 1 HE [12 certs] <Zug>
 Hennig: 156 M, 5 SX*, 1 PR, 3 WT†, 1 HE [12]
 Butcher: 295 M, 3 SX, 1 BA, 3 PR*, 1 WT, 3 HE [11]
 Butcher: 120 M, 5 BY*, 2 PR, 1 BA, 2 HE [9]
 Zieske: 211 M, 1.5 PR, 6 BY, 7 SX, 3 BA*, 4 HE**, 2 MS* [12]

Current Status of the Rail Network

Corp Dir	Price	IC Pool	Cash	Trains	Tokens
PR	JB	D184	0 0	1146 3+4+5	C11, E19, F14, H2, G5
SX	CH	B120	0 0	361 33+	H16, E19, H20
BY	TB	C100	0 0	099 5	G15, L14, H20
BA	RF	E80	0 0	180 3	L15, F14
WT	CH	C82	0 0	119 44	M9
HE	PZ	D78	5 0	439 4	JB
MS	PZ	E80	8 0	(160) -	(C13)

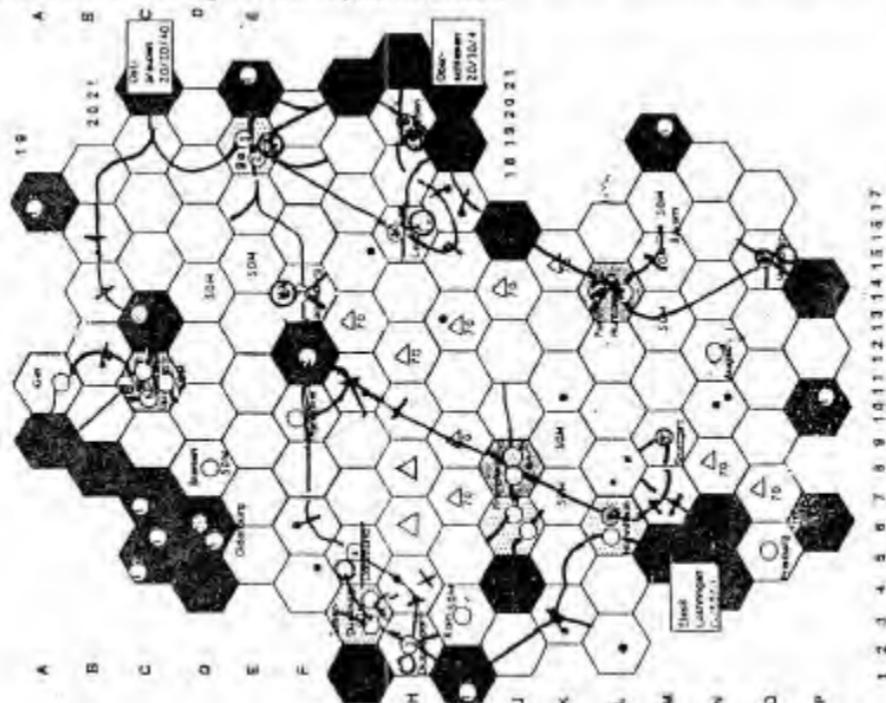
The Bank has 8,400 M.

Trains available: 33, 3455+, 66, 5/6+6+64

Tiles available:

Yellow: #110, #211, #311, #411, #512, #602, #719, #810, #913, #5511, #5611, #5712, #5810, #6910, #20112, #20261
Green: #1221, #1321, #14101, #15111, #16111, #1811, #1912, #2012, #2312, #2412, #2511, #2612, #2712, #2812, #2912, #8711, #8812, #20311, #20412, #20510, #20611, #20710, #20811, #20910, #211011, #212111, #213101, #21411, #215101
Brown: #39111, #40111, #41121, #42121, #43111, #44121, #45121, #46121, #47121, #63131, #70111, #216141, #21712, #21811, #219121, #220111, #221111

Due next: Orders for OR 8.1 to 8.3. Note that tiles #14 & 15 can't be promoted in this game (like 18291. Fisher has der Zug. See transcript on the Website.



Down with the King

Arthur Not Guilty! Peasant Uprising! Turns 10, 11 & 12



ERRATA: Mary has 5 IP and 19/8 PP. Robert has PP 39/5 PP. James' counsel is cancelled since there was no Minister of Justice to sack at the time.

The Cast:

D&D Anderson: Lord Jeffrey (#23 & 61), 2 IP, 14/8 PP, 12 cards, #5 I, #24(MC),
A. Bargender: Earl James (#22, MC), 3 IP, 8/0 PP, 10 cards, #52(H) #12(H) #32
Copeland: Marquise Margaret (#56), 6 IP, 39/17 PP, 12 cards, Philip, #46, #54, #31, #53, #25, #41,
#44, Jane
Fowble: Lord Robert (#18/62), 2 IP, 39/5 PP, 11 cards, #13(H), #45, #21, #V1, #26, Almery, #35,
#43, #34.
York: Marquise Mary (#64), 5 IP, 19/8 PP, 12 cards, #63(H), #55(H).

The Cabinet:

Monarch: King George (20 Support)
Navy: Lord Arthur (#36)
State: Earl Duncan (#34), Ro
Trade: Duke Marley (#44), Mt
Epalin: Sir Donald (#21), Ro
Sandarkan: Sir Guy (#12), Ja
City States: Sir Richard (#14) My

Consort: Queen Catherine
High Minister: Duke Henry (#43) Ro
Army: Earl Francis (#33)
Justice: Lord Robert (#18)
Bezyzen: Sir Michael (#15)
Cronos: Lord Percival (#41)
Treasury: Knight Simon (#31), Mt

Turn 10:

Arthur's Wrongdoing Charge: 5 = sent to Hearing; Hearing: 9-1 = Go to Trial (no "Evidence" played); Trial: 2nd Judge hears the case (S), 5-2 = Not Guilty! (Margaret plays "Informer" card, no "Evidence" played).

Turn 11:

1. Player order: Mary, James, Jeffrey, Robert, Margaret

2. Office: n/a

3. Political Problems: Minister of Justice Robert (Ability 3) fails to solve the Treason and Conspiracy problem; 1st Judge hinders (4+1=5). Monarch's Support falls to 10.

4. Crown Event: 4 - International Incident. Earl Duncan (Minister of State, Ability of 3) tries to solve: 1-2. (Lord Percival hinders. Sir Donald aids). Monarch's support to 20.

5. Player Turns:

Mary: Draws #42, Gain 1 IP. Recruit #42 Duke Roland (5 PP). Promote Mary to Duchess (-5 IP). Toss Armancy.

James: Draws #36, Gain 1 IP. Pay 2 IP to Roll on Craft Table (12 = Monarch's Craftsman +10 PP, +10 IP, +2). Pay 4 IP to become a Lord. Have Sir Guy counsel the Monarch regarding Treason and Conspiracy to accuse Margaret of wrongdoing.

Jeffrey: Draws #15, Gain 1 IP. Recruit #15 Sir Michael (11+0 PP), roll on Fashion Table (5+2 = Tasteful +1 PP).

Margaret: Draws #36, Scandal. Recruit #36 Lord Arthur (4+2 PP) and Princess Anne (10 PP). No counsels.

Robert: Draws #33, Gain 1 IP. Recruit #33 Earl Francis (3+2 PP). The Ambassador to Epalin counseled "Take Military Action" for the Internation Incident.

The Cabinet:

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Navy: Lord Arthur (#36) Mt

Consort: Queen Catherine
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State: Earl Duncan (#34), Ro
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City States: Sir Richard (#14), My

Army: Earl Francis (#33), Ro
Justice: Lord Robert (#16), I
Besyan: Sir Michael (#15), Je
Cronos: Lord Percival (#41), Mt
Treasury: Knight Simon (#31), Mt

Turn 12:

1. Player order: Robert, Margaret, Mary, Jeffrey, James.

2. Office: n/a

3. Political Problems: Minister of Justice Robert may try to solve the Treason and Conspiracy problem.

4. Crown Event: 1D = Peasant Unrest (High Minister).

Your loyalty chit is __*, your Opportunity Chit is _____, and your Event Card is _____. Due next are modifications to James' counsel (Accuse Margaret of Wrongdoing), to the Political Problem roll, and to the Crown Event resolution and for your player turn orders.

*Only #66 remains unaltered. If Robert doesn't recruit her, Margaret may, etc. After she's recruited, remaining players receive 1 IP instead of a loyalty chit.

The Cast:

D&D Anderson: Lord Jeffrey (#23 & 61), 2 IP, 18/5 PP, 12 cards, #51, #24(MC), #15.

A. Bargender: Lord James (#22, MC), 11 IP, 18/10 PP, 11 cards, #52(H) #12(H) #32.

Copeland: Marquise Margaret (#50), 6 IP, 39/17 PP, 12 cards, Phillip, #46, #54, #31, #53, #25, #41, #44, Jane, #36, Anne.

Fowble: Lord Robert (#16/62), 3 IP, 39/0 PP, 11 cards, #19(H), #85, #21, #11, #26, Almery, #35, #43, #34, #33.

York: Duchess Mary (#64), 1 IP, 19/3 PP, 12 cards, #53(H), #55(H), #42.

Table Modifiers

Table	James	Jeffrey	Marge	Mary	Robert
Business Speculation	0	0	-1	0	0
Court Ball	0	0	0	0	+2
Credit	+2	0	0	+2	-1
Fashion	+2	+1	-1	0	+2
Literary Pursuits	+2	+2	+1	+2	0
Patronage	-1	0	+2	0	0
Socializing	0	0	0	0	-2

Counsel

Table	James	Jeffrey	Marge	Mary	Robert
Court Ball	--	--	--	1	1
Foreign War	2	--	--	--	2.3
Scandal	--	--	--	--	1
Treason & Conspiracy Trials (3)	--	--	--	--	1.3





KREMLIN

Nogoodnik Dies!!



ERRATA: TCC has the 2 waves, not STAB.

CAST (in Table Order):

Cary Nichols: Re-Education Deployment Society (REDS), 2 cards
 Ron Fisher: Red Brulve Factory (RBF), 3 cards
 Mike Scott: The California Connection (TCC), 2 cards, 2 waves
 Warren "Go" Gooley: Sneaky, Treacherous, Annoying Bestards (STAB), 3 cards
 Dave Anderson: Decaying Licentious Antagonists (DLA), 1 card

POLITBURO:

Party Chief:	Nogoodnik (V) #20(R)	68+	TCC 10,2, DLA 10, STAB 2
KGB Head:	Karlenko (N)	62	REDS 3
Foreign Minister:	Dobberman (L)	67w	RBF 4
Defense Minister:	Nikotin (R)	56	REDS 2
Ideology Chief:	Bungleoff (W)	60	TCC 1
Industry Minister:	Boremtodov (K)	66	
Economy Minister:	Schukrunov (B)	72s	
Sport Minister:	Palavrian (G)	72s+1	RBF 6
Candidates:	DEHQ (REDS 3/S)		People: CIJMOPTUXYZ(+, RBF 5)
The Wall:	AF		Siberia:

PHASE 3.1: CURE: REDS play Card #63, to transfer 3 IP from Q to N. REDS reveals 1 IP on K and 2 IP on W. RBF has Palavrian (G) take the cure. Nogoodnik ages 2 SP for being Party Chief and for being sick. Dobberman ages 1 SP to 61 due to being in his weak job. Palavrian is in his strong position, so doesn't age.

PHASE 3.2: PURGE: TCC plays 5 IP on N. KGB Head Karlenko fails to purge V, aging 3 SP to 71.

PHASE 3.3: SPT INVESTIGATION: TCC reveals 3 IP on R, who then opens investigations on "L" & "B" then condemns "S", aging 4 SP to 63.

PHASE 3.4: HEALTH:

Party Chief Nogoodnik (V) can't outrun "L" while moose and dies.
 KGB Head Karlenko (N) attends "B" executions, remains healthy.
 Foreign Minister Dobberman (L) speaks at the UN for "11" hours, remains healthy.
 Defense Minister Nikotin (R) smokes "5" packs of cigarettes daily, grows sick(+).
 Ideology Chief Bungleoff (W) bowls "20" games a week, remains healthy.
 Industry Minister Boremtodov (K) runs "10" km a week, remains healthy.
 Economy Minister Schukrunov (B) opens "8" factories in Siberia, grows sick.
 Sport Minister Palavrian (G) spends "5" hours ice fishing, and dies.

Due next are orders for Turn 3, Funeral Commission through Parade Phases. Foreign Minister Dobberman must nominate either KGB Head Karlenko or Defense Minister Nikotin for Party Chief. If the nomination fails, he must nominate one of the "Nyef"-ayers. Anyway, for political purposes, send "Da" or "Nyet" votes from each Politburo you control for hope to control for every Politburo member except Dobberman.

POLITBURO:

Party Chief:	<Vacants		
KGB Head:	Karlenko (N)	66	REDS 6, TCC 5
Foreign Minister:	Dobberman (L)	70w	RBF 4, REDS 1

Defense Minister:
Ideology Chief:
Industry Minister:
Economy Minister:
Sport Minister:
Candidates: DEHQ
The Wall: AFGV

Nikitin (R)
Bungaloff (W)
Berentsoev (K)
Schukrovov (B)
<Vacant>

63
60
66
75+

TCC 3, REDS 2
REDS 2, TCC 1

People: CJMHOPTUXYZ(+, RBF 5)
Siberia: S

LEGEND: s = strong, w = weak, + = sick, ++ = ill, ? = under investigation, C# = card # remains as a
bribe, C = taking the Cure.



Source of the Nile

Turn 14



The Cast:

Dan Fairrow (diploped)
Ron Fisher (diploped?)
Don Chinnery

Jason Bargender
Andrew York
D&D Anderson

Published: DD12 (lake, +78 acres), DD11 (lake, -7.5 acres), CC11 (lake, +88 acres), AA13 (veldt, river from 1 and 4 to 2), Z14 (veldt, river from 5 to 4, cataract, waterfall is 350 feet), Z13 (veldt, river from 1 to 2) and Lake L1 F (the Moltenheim) in Z13

Positions still available for fearless explorers. Contact Alan Bargender if interested.

ERRATA: Paris has a 840 rebate for Galileo and G 820 for Vesalius.

THE CAST: In Tiebreak Order!

London (McCabe): S133, 19C, 2K, 100M, ON-1, 141P
Paris (Frucht): S314, 19C, 2K, 90M, ON-3, 311
Genoa (Copeland): S139, 19C, 6K, 90M, SV-10, 6t
Hamburg (Debbie Ah): S88, 7C, 4K, 100M, SV-10, 8t
Venice (Hannel): S61, 11C, 5K, 100M, SV-10, 34t
Barcelona (Buttilat): S82, 7C, 2K, 80M, ON-1, 8t

ADVANCES

A,B,D-L,N-T,V-X
 A-P,I-L,N-T,V-X
 A,B,E,F,I,N,O,R,S,V-X
 A,B,E,P,I,J,R,S,Y,W
 A,B,E,P,H,J,N,O,R,S,V,W
 A,B,E,P,I,J,N,O,R-T,V,X,Y

"Leaders are Columbus" (G, 1st), Vesalius (G, 55), Galileo (B0). L opts to lose 7t rather than 866.

8.4: Purchase Phase:

G (6U) buys "Ocean Navigation" (T: 830, 90 cr, 5 MRI), "New World" (U: 670, 90 cr, 25 MRI, "Wind/Watermill" (W: 820, 20 cr, 5 MRI, Stabilization (S1)). Uses 35 MR and two tiers to -2 ML.
 H (8t) buys "Written Word" (N: 830, 5 MRI), rents Vesalius (\$5 to G), buys "Enlightenment" (D: 880, 70 cr, 50 MRI, +1 ML for not stabilizing, but uses 55 MR and 1 tier to -1 ML).
 B (8t) buys "Laws of Matter" (C: 840, 50 cr, 5 MRI, "Nationalism" (W: 40 cr, 5 MRI), "Improved Agriculture" (K: 820, 30 cr -1ML, 25 MRI, Stabilization (S3)). Uses 35 MR and 2 tiers to -2 ML.
 L (14-7t) buys "Laws of Matter" (C: 820, 70 cr, 5 MRI), "Cosmopolitan" (Y: 890, 60 cr, 25 MRI, Stabilization (S1)). Uses 30 MR and three tiers to -3 ML.
 P (310) buys ON-4 (S10), "New World" (U: 880, 70 cr, 25 MRI), "Industry" (M: 830, 50 cr, 5 MRI), "Cosmopolitan" (Y: 890, 60 cr, 25 MRI, "Protestantism" (G: 850, 40 cr, +1 ML, 0 MRI, Stabilization (S3)). Uses 55x2 MR credits to -3 ML.
 V (34t) buys "Improved Agriculture" (K: 830, 20 cr -1 ML, 25 MRI, Stabilization (S10)), and SV-12 (S10). Uses 25 MR and 2 tiers to -2 ML.

8.5: Expansion Phase: P uses "Q" to move up one place.

G (60 plays 6t-c) @ NAm
 H (8t) plays 3t-c, G,B,W = 6,4,5 -LC) @ Sto; buys card (3t).
 B (8t) plays 3t-c, 2,5,1 -VC) @ Val, 4t-c, 4,3,3 -LC) @ WAf, est 1t.
 P (31t) plays 6t-c) @ SAM, 4t-c, 6,6,5 -BC) @ Gra, 7t-c, 4,6,6 -GC) @ Con, 9t-c, 1,4,1 -GC) @ Lyo, 4t-c, 5,5,1 -GC) @ Cyp, 1t-c, 6,6,6 @ Sto.
 L (14-7t) plays 3t-c, 3,6,6 no! @ Ser, 4t-c, T = c) @ Lon.
 V (34t) plays 3t-c w/H-Po! @ Con, 4t-c w/H-Hc! @ Sto, 4t-c, 3,5,4 -Po!) @ Val, 18t-c, 3,5,5,5,1,4,6,6,6 no! @ Nur.
 Paris earns the expansion bonus card.

8.6: Income Phase:

P (19C) earns 8129 and 826 from "L" and drops 1 ML due to "U". L (14C) earns 899 and 822 from "L". V (13C) earns 883. G (8C) earns 863 and drops 1 ML due to "U". H & B (7C) earn 857 each. There is a surplus of metal (6,4+4; 6,4+4) twice, so P pays 84 twice.

9.1: Draw Cards Phase: G, H, B & L draw cards. Deck is exhausted. This is the last turn.

9.2: Card Purchase Phase: P discards "Famine".

THE CAST: In Turn 8 Order!

Genoa (Copeland): S81, 18C, 2K, 60M, SV-10
Hamburg (Debbie Ah): S88, 7C, 6K, 100M, SV-10
Barcelona (Buttilat): S82, 7C, 4K, 50M, ON-1
London (McCabe): S143, 14C, 3K, 70M, ON-1
Paris (Frucht): S173, 19C, 2K, 60M, ON-4

ADVANCES

A,B,E,F,I,N,O,R,S,V-X
 A,B,E,P,I,J,R,S,V,W
 A-C,E,F,I,K,N,O,R-T,V-Y
 A-L,N-T,V-Y
 A-G,I-Y

THE BOARD:

- B:** C @ Alg, BAR, Basq, Fez, Lis, Tol, WAF IT @ Alex, Barc, Tou, Tre.
G: C @ Bel, Flo, GEN, Mar, Nam, Siz, Smy, Tum, IT @ Ada, Bar, Jer
H: C @ Bru, Dan, HAM, Kie, Lib, Nov, Rtg, IT @ Col, Cop, Kaf, Mel, Mil, Smo, Ste, Whi.
L: C @ Ber, Cal, Che, Edi, Erz, Icc, LON, Por, Sev, Siz, Tan, Tri, Wat, Yor, IT @ Arm, Coss, Kon, She, Wal.
P: C @ Alep, Basl, Bee, Bud, Chi, Cre, Cyp, Dub, Dij, Elb, Gra, Ind, Lyo, Nur, PAR, Ptu, SAN, Stt, Sais; IT @ Aer, Ath, Dur, Gal, Lev, Sig, Tar.
V: C @ Arg, Cor, Mil, Mon, Nap, Pob, Ror, Siz, StM, Sto, Val, Var, VEN

Due next time are orders for Turns 8.7 (Bid), 9.2 (Card Discard), and 9.3 (Card Play). See Website for map and transcript.

Your cards (Karte) are:

LEGEND: c = white circle, C = colored circle, X = cards, M = misery, MI = misery level, t = white token, T = colored token.



ON DECK



1830: R Fisher, Zleske, Copeland, Zedda, Hanna, Frueh
1835: Hanna
1866: Hanna, Frueh
1870: Zleske, Hanna, Frueh
AGE OF RENAISSANCE: Hanna, Frueh
AIR BARON: R Fisher, Copeland, Zodda
BRITANNIA: Dave A. Hanna, Buttitta, Wilson, Boyling, Frueh (awaiting end of Devon or Egbert)
CIRCUS IMPERIUM: O'Hara
COLONIAL DIPLOMACY: O'Hara, Copeland, Nichols, Anderson, Cole; need 2 more.
DIPLOMACY: Fisher, Shacklett, Zodda, Anderson
GLADIATOR: O'Hara
GUNSLINGER: Scott, Fowble, R Fisher, O'Hara; need 3 more
HISTORY OF THE WORLD: Zodda, Anderson
JUNTA: Copeland, Dave A., Hanna
KINGMAKER: R Fisher, Shacklett, O'Hara
KREMLIN: Zodda, Scott, Anderson
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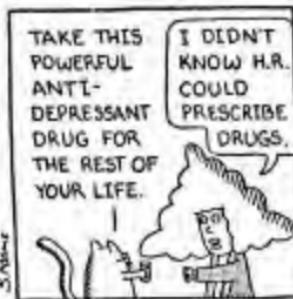
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